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1. MISSION FORWARDED FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION LETTER ON BENDIX/JURID-WERKE ACQUISITION TO FEDERAL CARTEL OFFICE, BERLIN, JANUARY 6, 1977.

2. MISSION OFFICER MADE FOLLOW-UP CALL AT FEDERAL CARTEL OFFICE (FCO) JANUARY 19. OFFICIALS PRESENT AT MEETING WERE HERR STOCKMANN, ASSISTANT TO FCO PRESIDENT WOLFGANG KARTTE, HERR REICKMANN AND HERR PFUHL, CASE OFFICER FAMILIAR WITH JURID-WERKE. REALIZING THAT THIS IS FIRST OFFICIAL UNITED STATES ACTION UNDER US/FRG BILATERAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT ON RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES, FCO APPEARED FORTHCOMING IN DISCUSSING CASE.

3. HERR STOCKMANN, WHO HAD STUDIED MR. JOHNSON'S LETTER, EXPLAINED THAT STATISTICAL INFORMATION REQUESTED ON JURID-WERKE'S SUPPLIES TO GERMAN-BASED AUTOMOBILE MANUFACTURERS DESTINED FOR RE-SALE IN THE UNITED STATES IS UNAVAILABLE. HE SAID THIS IS PROBLEM OF RECORD-KEEPING METHODS IN GERMANY.

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4. OFFICIALS NOTED THAT FCO ALSO HAS JURID-WERKE UNDER INVESTIGATION. FIRM, WHICH HAS 37 PERCENT MARKET FOR AUTOMOBILE BRAKE LININGS, RECENTLY ENTERED APPLICATION FOR MERGER WITH TEXTAR GMBH OF LEVERKUSEN-SCHLEBUSCH, FRG. TEXTAR CURRENTLY CONTROLS AT LEAST 30 PERCENT OF GERMAN MARKET FOR AUTOMOBILE BRAKE LININGS.

5. FCO EXPECTS ITS OWN DECISION IN CASE TO BE MADE BEFORE
JULY, 1977 BUT NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER. BECAUSE INVESTIGATION
JUST BEGAN, FCO SAID IT COULD NOT REPEAT NOT SUPPLY
BACKGROUND INFORMATION AT THIS TIME BUT WOULD KEEP US
INFORMED AS CASE PROCEEDS. HERR STOCKMANN SAID THAT
COLLECTION OF STATISTICAL DATA ON EXPORT MARKET SHARES
IN AUTOMOTIVE SPARE PARTS IN ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT PROBLEM.
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